Introduced by Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy (Arambula (Chair), Canciamilla, Houston, and Oropeza)

February 22, 2005

An act to amend Section 7085 of the Government Code, relating to enterprise zones.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1563, as introduced, Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy. Enterprise zones: reports to Legislature.

The Enterprise Zone Act generally provides for the designation by the Department of Housing and Community Development of enterprise zones in the state, pursuant to which certain entities within the zone may receive regulatory, tax, and other incentives for private investment and employment. The department is required to submit a report to the Legislature every 5 years that reviews the progress and effectiveness of each enterprise zone, with respect to specified components.

The act requires the Employment Development Department and the State Department of Education to give high priority to the training of unemployed individuals who reside in a targeted employment area or a designated enterprise zone.

This bill would require the report submitted by the Department of Housing and Community Development to include a review of any efforts made regarding training of unemployed individuals pursuant to these provisions.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 7085 of the Government Code is 2 amended to read:
- 3 7085. (a) The—Notwithstanding Section 7550.5. department shall submit a report to the Legislature every five 5 years beginning January 1, 1998, that evaluates the effect of the program on employment, investment, and incomes, and on state and local tax revenues in designated enterprise zones. The report shall include a department review of the progress and 9 effectiveness of each enterprise zone, including, but not limited to, any efforts made regarding training of unemployed 10 individuals pursuant to Section 7081. The Franchise Tax Board 11 12 shall make available to the department and the Legislature 13 aggregate information on the dollar value of enterprise zone tax 14 credits that are claimed each year by businesses.
- 15 (b) An enterprise zone governing body shall provide 16 information at the request of the department as necessary for the 17 department to prepare the report required pursuant to subdivision 18 (a).